Arising therefrom, such bookstalls are not granted permission for selling other publications including newpapers and magazines, etc. except at stations where there is no other bookstall contractor. In view thereof M/s Sarva Seva Sangh Prakashan has not been allowed sale of newspapers, magazines, etc. from their stalls.

Construction of an Overbridge in Khammam, Andhra Pradesh

3462. SHRI N. GIRI PRASAD: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that the Railway gate located between Gandhi Chowk and Station Road in Khammam (Andhra Pradesh) remains always closed causing inconvenience to the public and very often causing accidents; and

(b) if so, whether Government proposed to construct an over-bridge at Central Railway Crossing at Khammam?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) The level crossing which is situated in the yard has to be closed for longer periods for operational reasons with consequent delay to road users. Accidents do not normally occur on closed level crossings.

(b) No proposal has been sponsored by the State Government/Local Authority for construction of overbridge at this location. As per rules, Railways consider replacement of a level crossing by an overbridge if the proposal is sponsored by the State Government/Local body consenting to bear their share of cost.

Book Stall Contracts

3463. SHRI N. GIRI PRASAD: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that all the Book Stall Contract (including Sarva Seva Sangh Prakashan) agreements are executed/renewed only for a period of five years;

(b) if so, whether it is a fact that the agreement of A.H. Wheeler & Co. is extended for a period of nine years since 1967; and

(c) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir.

(c) In 1967, it was decided to delete the clause of "Automatic renewal" from the agreements of M/s A.H. Wheeler and Co. but to extend their period of agreements from 5 years to 9 years at a time.

मनमाड-जालना रेल मार्ग पर दूसरी एलोरा लिंक एक्सप्रेस गाड़ी का चलाया जाना

3464. डा० बापू कालदाते: क्या रेल मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या सरकार मनमाड-जालना रेल मार्ग पर दूसरी एलोरा लिंक एक्सप्रेस गाड़ी चलाने का विचार रखती है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो इसका ब्यौरा क्या है; और

(ग) यदि नहीं, तो इसके क्या कारण हैं?

रेल मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री मल्लिकार्जुन): (क) जी नहीं;

(ख) प्रश्न नहीं उठता;

(ग) जालना और औरंगाबाद के बीच चल रहे आमान परिवर्तन कार्य के कारण?

Representations for Second Overbridge at Solapur on Solapur-Wadi Section

3465. SHRI SUSHILKU[illegible] SAMBHAJIRAO SHINDE: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received representations with regard to taking up of second overbridge at Solapur on Solapur-Wadi section in view of the